



## Griffin Meat Sales recalls sausage products due to undeclared soy allergen

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MADISON – Griffin Meat Sales, located in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, is voluntarily recalling its beef sticks, summer sausage, bologna and wieners of varying flavors containing a potential allergen that is not listed on the label, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection announced today.

The products contain soy grits, a binding agent used to hold product together, which can cause serious reactions in people with an allergy or severe sensitivity to the ingredient. No illnesses have been reported from consuming these products.

The following products containing soy grits were sold over the counter in one-pound vacuum-sealed packages:

- Bologna
- Wieners—Cheddar and Regular
- Beef Sticks—Varying Flavors
- Summer Sausage—Garlic and Plain

All products were sold at the company's retail store in Manitowoc and were purchased by consumers on or before April 2, 2014. Consumers who have any of these products may return them to Griffin Meat Sales or discard them. Consumers and media with questions about this recall can contact store owner Bill Griffin at 920-775-4580.

Though the producer uses less than 1 percent of soy per 100 pounds of meat, even trace amounts can be problematic for some people with a soy allergy. Symptoms may include swelling, itching or irritation of the mouth, nose, throat, eyes and skin; difficulty breathing; cramps, nausea or vomiting; diarrhea; or anaphylaxis. While most people do not have food allergies, anyone who eats a specific food and experiences symptoms should consult a doctor.

For more information on other food product recalls or food allergens, contact the Division of Food Safety at 608-224-4700; by mail at DFS, DATCP, P.O. Box 8911; or by e-mail at [datcpfoodmailbox@wisconsin.gov](mailto:datcpfoodmailbox@wisconsin.gov); or online at [datcp.wi.gov](http://datcp.wi.gov).

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